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In re Patent Application of:
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For: COMPOSITION HAVING DISPERSE
SYSTEM, AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING
COLORED ORGANIC SOLID PARTICLE

Examiner: L. J. Heincer

LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Under the provisions of MPEP § 2001.06(b), the Examiner is hereby advised of the following co-pending U.S. Application(s):

<u>Appl. No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Group</u>
10/580,652	September 25, 2006	1711
10/515,420	November 23, 2004	1711

The subject matter contained in the above-listed co-pending U.S. application(s) may be deemed to relate to the present application, and thus may be material to the prosecution of this instant application. In an Office Action dated April 3, 2007 prepared in connection with Appl. No. 10/580,652, the claim(s) in the instant application and the claim(s) in Application No. 10/515,420 were cited in obviousness-type double patenting rejections.

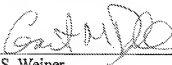
Copies of cited U.S. patent application(s) (specification, claims, and the drawings) are available to the Examiner in the PTO's PAIR image file. Accordingly, Applicants do not believe that it is necessary to forward copies of the application materials with this application, since the application materials should be readily available to the Examiner. However, should the Examiner require copies for the instant application, Applicants will supply copies upon request.

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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